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SUBJ: TURKISH REACTION TO SECRETARY'S SPEECH AT UNGA

REF: ANKARA 7252 (NOTAL)

1. THE SECRETARY'S SPEECH AT THE UNGA SO FAR HAS DRAWN  
NO RPT NO PUBLIC COMMENT BY GT OFFICIALS AND RELATIVELY  
LITTLE EDITORIAL REACTION IN THE TURKISH PRESS.

2. PRESS REACTION SEPTEMBER 24:

A. IN AN ANALYTICAL ARTICLE FROM NEW YORK UNDER THE HEAD-  
LINE "THE USA HAS DECIDED TO ADOPT A TOUGH LINE WITH TURKEY",

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MASS CIRCULATION HURRIYET CORRESPONDENT DOGAN ULUC SPECULATED

THAT THE SECRETARY'S POSITION ON CYPRUS IN THE SPEECH WAS DETERMINED BY: (A) HIS NEED TO DEMONSTRATE TO CONGRESS THAT HE IS NOT RPT NOT PRO-TURKISH SO AS TO STRENGTHEN HIS INFLUENCE ON THE EMBARGO ISSUE; (2) HIS HOPE OF REGAINING CONGRESSIONAL SUPPORT IN GENERAL; (3) THE DIFFICULTY OF DEFENDING U.S. POLICY

ON CYPRUS WHEN TURKEY'S CYPRUS POLICY IS SO UNCLEAR.

B. MODERATE MILLIYET PUBLISHED A REPORT FROM SAMI KOHEN IN NEW YORK NOTING THAT A "TOUGH PERIOD FOR TURKEY" WAS STARTING AT THE UN, AND CITING OBSERVERS AS NOTING THAT THE SECRETARY'S SPEECH MARKED THE FIRST TIME THE U.S. HAD BEEN "SO OUTSPOKEN" ON CYPRUS. SOME OBSERVERS, KOHEN REPORTED, INTERPRETED THE STATEMENT ON CYPRUS AS AN EFFORT TO PLEASE THE GREEK LOBBY. KOHEN ALSO NOTED THAT GROMYKO IN HIS UNGA SPEECH REFERRED IN MILD TERMS TO THE TURKISH POSITION ON CYPRUS.

C. FAR LEFT YENI ORTAM IN ITS NEWS TREATMENT OF THE SPEECH EMPHASIZED THAT THE GREEK CYPRIOT PRESS HAD APPROVED THE SECRETARY'S SPEECH BUT STILL HAD DOUBTS ABOUT WHETHER PRACTICAL EFFECTS WOULD FOLLOW.

D. NEWLY FOUNDED LEFTIST POLITIKA EDITORIALY CONCLUDED THAT U.S. CYPRUS POLICY WAS CHANGING TO TURKEY'S DETRIMENT.

3. COMMENT: THE SLOWNESS OF THE TURKISH REACTION NO DOUBT IS ATTRIBUTABLE IN PART TO THE LEADER'S INVOLVEMENT IN THE ELECTION CAMPAIGN AND IN PART TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER'S ABSENCE FROM THE COUNTRY.  
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